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THE STAMPEDE TOWARD BLAINE

Has Already Begun, as Far as Washington Politicians Are Concerned.

MRS. BLAINE IS WILLING, For She Doesn't Think Her Husband in Harrison's Debt.

Nothing talked of at the Capital except
enthusiasm for the magnetic man
From Maine—Judge Caldwell
Consent that the Secretary Will Accept—
Merely a Matter of Party Duty—
Clarkson at Quay's House in Wash-
ington—The Letter's Trip to His
Home Postponed a Day in Con-
sequence of This Visit.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.
WASHINGTON, May 23.—It is possible
that the plan of the anti-Harrison Republi-
cans to stampede the Minneapolis Con-
vention for Blaine may not be carried out
successfully, but so far as Washington
politicians are concerned, the stampede has
already begun.

When the fact was announced in dis-
patches more than ten days ago, or imme-
diately after the conference between Sen-
ators Cameron and Quay, Mr. Platt and
others, that Blaine was the man upon whom
the opposition Republicans would unite,
it was generally thought that Blaine
would make this plan impossible by declin-
ing to allow himself to be considered as
a candidate. It was said that he would at
once write another letter withdrawing
absolutely and unconditionally from the
contest and stating that he would not ac-
cept the nomination even if made by accla-
mation. Mr. Blaine has not written that
letter, and it is now thought quite unlikely
that he will write it.

Another Declaration Not Necessary.
In fact, if the word of an influential and
honorable Republican Senator is to be
believed, Mr. Blaine has stated within the
past few days that he feels it entirely un-
necessary for him to take any action with
regard to the coming Minneapolis conven-
tion. He said in the letter to Mr. Clarkson
that his name will not go before the con-
vention, and it will not, with his consent.
Mr. Blaine considers, however, that he has
said all that is necessary, and if his
friends insist on nominating him, or at-
tempting to do so, it must be at their own
risk.

This attitude of Mr. Blaine is entirely
satisfactory to the anti-Harrison men,
and they feel perfectly content of being able
to conduct matters to suit themselves, if
Blaine will only maintain his present ef-
fective silence.

Mrs. Blaine on the Subject.
The statement that Blaine has thus, nega-
tively at least, placed himself in the hands
of his friends, finds confirmation in the
fact that Mrs. Blaine has also, within the
past few days, stated with the utmost em-
phasis that Mr. Blaine is not under any obli-
gations to the President, so far as politics
is concerned, and that he will under no cir-
cumstances do anything more than he has
already done to prevent his friends from
attempting to bring about his nomination.
This report of Mrs. Blaine's announcement
is not hearsay, but is an absolute fact.

Senator Quay will leave Washington to-
morrow for his home in Beaver, Pa., and
will remain there until about next Monday,
when he will return to Washington for a
day or two before joining his Senatorial
colleagues and other Washington Republi-
cans in their journey to Minneapolis. A
party of Senators is now being made up to
take the trip together, and it is a some-
what notable fact that almost every one of
them is opposed to Harrison's nomination.

Secretary Blaine's Final Assurances.
Mr. Quay will leave the city with the
assurance conveyed to him directly that
Mr. Blaine will refuse to accept the nomi-
nation if it comes to him as not being the
perfectly unanimous sentiment of the Republi-
cans assembled in convention at Minne-
apolis.

Nothing has been talked of in Washing-
ton but the wonderful enthusiasm that has
been aroused by the knowledge that Blaine
is apt to be a candidate after all, and Demo-
crats as well as Republicans now begin to
accept it as an assured fact that Mr. Harri-
son will meet with a relentless and over-
powering opposition when his managers
arrive in Minneapolis. Men who ten days
ago laughed at the idea of Blaine allowing
his name to be used now say that it looks
as if he were the most available and likely
candidate.

In connection with the Blaine gossip to-
day, it was significant that one of the most
outspoken Blainettes was Representative
Caldwell, of Ohio, who is ex-Governor
Foraker's active lieutenant and Chairman
of the newly-organized Republican Con-
gressional Campaign Committee. He in-
formed his colleagues and those who inter-
viewed him on the subject that Blaine
would accept the nomination, notwith-
standing all that has been said to the con-
trary.

Merely a Matter of Party Duty.
Judge Caldwell appeared to be so confi-
dent that his prediction would be verified
that many persons supposed that he had
some inside intelligence which Mr. Blaine's
inclination to reveal. The Judge, how-
ever, made no such suggestion, but stated
that his information was based on the prob-
ability of an acceptance of the nomination
by Blaine by declaring that it is not a ques-
tion of personal convenience, but a matter
of party duty. Mr. Blaine said he owes
something to the Republican party, and
the time has arrived for him to pay off his
debt by bestowing upon the nomination which
will be bestowed upon him at Minneapolis.

"Were you an original Blaine man,"
Judge Caldwell asked ex-Representative McComa,
of Maryland, who is a Harrison delegate at
large.
"No," replied the Judge, "but I believe
he is the strongest man we can nominate,
and I am for him in preference to any other
man in the party."
This declaration was taken from a man
who has received a vote from Foraker.
The Cabinet officers who advised the
President last week that he ought to warn
them and other officeholders to stay away
from the convention now think they have
made a mistake, for they see that Harrison
will need

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CORA NICHOLS' DEATH

Causes Wild Excitement in the Neighborhood of Chartiers.

FOUND DEAD IN AN OLD BARN,

Her Head Resting on a Pole and a Bullet Hole in Her Temple.

NO KNOWN REASON FOR THE TRAGEDY

In an old-fashioned barn on a farm near
McKees Rocks, James Nichols yesterday
found his daughter lying dead. Before her
head had fallen from her grasp
when death came, lay her brother's
revolver with three chambers
empty. One ball had entered her right
temple, but there was no other wound. The
neighbors said they heard three shots. Be-
yond that, practically nothing is known of
Allegany county's latest mystery. Some
believe it was suicide, but the absence of
powder marks throw a doubt on it.
It is also thought that it was an ac-
cident.

Cora Nichols, the victim of the tragedy,
is only 29 years of age and very pretty. Her
father owns one of the finest farms in the
State and the family is the oldest in that
section of the country outside the McKees.
The farm faces the Ohio river. Last
winter the old mansion house
burned down and the family is living in
one of the farm houses until the new home
is completed. There were four boys and
two girls in the family. Nearly all are
married and live away from home.

Found Dead in the Old Barn.
Yesterday the father had gone to McKees
Rocks, and about 2 o'clock the mother went
over to the house of Mrs. McCoy, who was
celebrating her 90th birthday. Before leav-
ing Cora said she intended to kill a chicken
and have it ready for dinner the next day.
The mother started to McCoy's and the girl
soon after went to the old stable in the
ravine below.

The father returned home about 6 o'clock,
but finding no one about the house, he went
down to the old stable. He caught
sight of his daughter's dress just inside the
door. When he got nearer he found her
crouched, half kneeling with her head rest-
ing on a pole, as if she had just fallen for-
ward. He next caught sight of the bullet
hole in her temple. Under her lay
the dead chicken. She had cut
off its head. Beside her was
the revolver and just beyond her
reach was the revolver. The father was
afraid to move the body, and hastened to
McKees Rocks to notify Squire Miles
Bryan. On the way he told the neighbors,
and the whole countryside is aroused.

There Were No Powder Burns.
Squire Bryan told him it would be all
right to move the body, and Dr. J. W. On-
stott accompanied the father home. When
the doctor was interviewed he told how she
was found and then said: "The family be-
lieve it was an accident, but when I exam-
ined this, when I could find no powder
burns. I would not like to say just how
close the muzzle was when the shot
was fired. The revolver belonged to her
brother, Cora Nichols, and the mother
told me the girl had been in the habit of
shooting at a mark with it. Several days
ago she said the next time they wanted a
chicken she would shoot it. I examined
the hole and could not find that it had been
shot. She had evidently caught it alive,
and then cut its head off, so it cannot
be explained that she accidentally shot
herself while firing at the chickens. There
is no way to account for this unless she
was a most estimable young lady and never
had a trifle. She was well educated
and had a number of admirers, but no lover
in particular, and the family cannot think
of anything that would cause the girl
to take her own life. I had the body
taken to the house and Mr. Bryan notified
the coroner. The family refuse to believe
anything save that it was an accident."

Many Believe It Was Murder.
There are some, however, that believe it
was a murder. Near the farm a great many
Hungarians are employed on the farm,
and it is thought they attacked her at the
barn and that the three chambers were
emptied at her assailants instead of at her-
self. The absence of powder burns also in-
dicates this, for when a gunshot wound is
self-inflicted the flesh about it is always
blackened and burned.

Mrs. H. E. Heber, a sister, who lives in
McKees Rocks, favors this idea for she
decries there was no reason on earth for
Cora Nichols killing herself, and the suicide
theory does not seem probable.

A LOSS OF MILLIONS

Likely to Follow the Break of the Tessler Plantation Levee—A Crayfish Blamed for the Disturbance—Severe Wind Adds to the Danger.

NEW ORLEANS, May 23.—[Special.]—The
break in the levee at the Tessler plantation,
in St. James' parish, last night, promises to
be almost as destructive as the St. John
levee, which occurred in the same local-
ity in 1890, and which caused a damage of
nearly \$7,500,000. It is 13 miles above the
Bonnet break, and on the same side of the
river.

The chances are that the water from the
two crevasses will meet, flooding more or
less all the plantations between Tessler and
New Orleans, a distance of 44 miles. The
crevasse at 8 p. m. was 15 feet wide and
widening, and 10 feet deep. The water
from it has not yet flooded the tracks of the
Louisville, New Orleans and Texas, or the
Mississippi Valley Railroad, but will do so
in the next few days, and stop local busi-
ness on the line between here and Baton
Rouge.

The break in the levee at Tessler is at-
tributed to a crayfish. The river rose to
two-tenths of a foot above the high
water mark of 1890, the highest known, and
at Canal street and at several other points
on the river the water ran over the levees,
but was carried off by the gutters without
any harm being done.

The vicinity of Baton Rouge
the severe wind that prevailed all day yesterday
drove the water over the levees at various
places, causing a great deal of anxiety.
The people are generally fearing a
catastrophe, but the levees only washed
badly, and there were no breaks.

STRIKEN BY SMALLPOX.

A Philadelphia Dressing Man Taken With the Dread Disease.

CHICAGO, May 23.—What may prove to
be a malignant case of smallpox was dis-
covered at the Palmer House this afternoon.
The patient is T. S. Meek, of Philadelphia,
a traveling man, representing a publishing
firm. He was removed to-night to
the pesthouse, where he will re-
ceive the best of attention. The physicians
hope for the best. His room at the Palmer
House was thoroughly fumigated, and the
physicians vaccinated those who had been
directly exposed. The Health Department is
satisfied that the spread of the contagion
has been prevented.

Meek lives at home in Philadelphia, Tri-
on, Pa., and visited New York, Toronto,
Guelph, Buffalo, Detroit and Columbus be-

WESTINGHOUSE A WINNER.

The World's Fair Committee Compelled to Accept His Bid for Lighting the Big Show—It Demands a Million-Dollar Bond From Him, Though.

CHICAGO, May 23.—[Special.]—George Westinghouse's Company has been awarded the incandescent electric lighting contract for the World's Fair.

After many days of fruitless endeavor to
award the work to the Edison General
Electric Company, the Committee on
Grounds and Buildings, long after dark to-
night, was forced to award the contract to
Westinghouse because he had by \$81,000
the lowest bid.

However, the committee asked a \$1,000,-
000 bond from Westinghouse as an evidence that the Westing-
house Company would fulfill its contract.
The committee will close on June 10 to accept the
terms.

President Westinghouse, who attended
the meeting of the committee by waiting in
an ante-room and looking out on roofs for
three hours before he was summoned to ap-
pear in the committee room, is going back
to New York to-morrow and will meditate
upon the terms before accepting them.

To-night, when the committee had ad-
journed, Mr. Westinghouse said he thought
the demand for \$1,000,000 unjust, and was
not yet decided whether he would accept
the terms.

GLEWS TO THE DENISON MURDERER.

Detectives Think They Are on the Track of the Man They Want.

KANSAS CITY, MO., May 23.—It was
rumored here yesterday that the police had
incarcerated a man who is strongly sus-
pected of being the fiend who murdered four
women at Denison, Tex., several days ago.
The man's name is Jack Burke, and he is
nominally held on the charge of vagrancy.
He has a bad record, having
served time for the attempted murder of
Bill Lewis and Sergeant Silvers of this
city. He was discharged from prison nine
months ago and is known to have just come
from Texas. Inquiry at police headquar-
ters failed in either confirming or contra-
dicting the report, the police officials being
non-committal.

At Denison, Tex., in nearly half the
churches yesterday the recent murders were
alluded to. Feeling tributes were paid to
the memory of Mrs. Hayes, the first vic-
tim. It is reported that a New Or-
leans detective has got a clew which will
clear up the mystery of the murder of Miss
Tenn Hawley. The detective is known to
have left here suddenly last night for Tex-
as, Tex., where the threat of the murder
will be taken up.

GENERAL SICKLES PASSES AWAY.

He Marched With Sherman to the Sea During the Civil War.

MOSTEVISTA, COLO., May 23.—General
H. S. Sickles, a cousin of Daniel E. Sickles,
died at his residence in Mostevista at 5
o'clock this morning of some obscure
stomach and liver trouble. An autopsy is
now being held. He was 72 years of age.
Early in 1861 he went into the service as
Major of the Eighty-eighth Illinois cavalry,
and for a long time commanded that regi-
ment as Lieutenant Colonel.

He was wounded severely at the battle of
Red Bank. On recovering he joined Sher-
man's army and went with Sherman to the
sea, and was afterward Military Governor
of South Carolina, securing a commission as
Brigadier General for meritorious services.

YAQUI INDIANS DEFEATED.

Mexican Troops Disperse Them With a Loss of Seven Privates.

HERMOSILLO, MEXICO, May 23.—An en-
gagement took place between Government
troops under Lieutenant Colonel Zapata
and a band of Yaqui Indians near Los
Pilros on the Rio Yaquin on the 17th in-
stant, but the account was repressed by the
officials, who had a censorship over the tele-
graph lines.

The official report just received says a
number of Yaquis were killed and the re-
mains dispersed, and owing to the moun-
tainous condition of the country the mili-
tary were unable to follow. Unofficial re-
ports brought in by American mining men
state that seven Mexican privates were
killed, and two officers, including the com-
manding officer, wounded.

ANNA DICKINSON'S SPEECHES.

She Sues the Republican National Com- mittee for Her Compensation.

NEW YORK, May 23.—Chairman James
S. Clarkson, of the Republican National Com-
mittee, appeared in the Supreme Court to-
day to be examined in a suit brought sev-
eral years ago by Anna Dickinson to re-
cover \$5,000 from the committee for a
breach of contract.

She makes Mr. Clarkson, Senator Quay,
John C. New, J. Sloat Fassett, Samuel Fen-
senden, W. W. Dudley and others defend-
ants. The alleged contract required her to
deliver campaign speeches.

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